

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY SEOUL

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5294

INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 0813

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, KS, UR

SUBJECT: SOVIETS REPORTEDLY INVITE ROK ICE SKATERS

REF: 75 SEOUL 6956 (NOTAL)

ROK PRESS FEBRUARY 4 CARRIED ARTICLE SAYING USSR HAS INVITED  
ROK ICE SKATERS IN INNSBRUCK TO PARTICIPATE IN GOODWILL SKATING  
MATCHES IN USSR FOLLOWING WINTER OLYMPICS. MOFA WAS NOT AWARE  
OF DETAILS OF PROPOSAL BUT WILL BE CONTACTING KOREA SPEED  
SKATING ASSOCIATION TO DETERMINE IF INVITATION IS CREDIBLE OR  
NOT. IF INVITATION PROVES VALID, MOFA WILL ENCOURAGE TRIP.

COMMENT: UNFORTUNATE PUBLICITY GIVEN TO INVITATION HERE  
PROVIDES NORTH KOREANS WITH PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO PROTEST  
TO MOSCOW AND GET INVITATION SQUELCHED. IF INVITATION STANDS  
DESPITE PUBLICITY, IT SHOULD PROVIDE NORTH KOREANS WITH  
SMALL JOLT.  
END COMMENT.  
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